

Five Questions – One Mission: Better Lives for Kentucky's People

- Critical Question 1. Are more Kentuckians participating in adult education programs?
 - □ **Key indicator:** The number of Kentuckians enrolled in adult education programs. The goal for 2004-05 is 115,000 students.
- ➤ Critical Question 2. Are more adult education students meeting their educational goals?
 - □ **Key indicator:** Demonstrated improvements in literacy skill levels in reading, writing and speaking the English language, numeracy, problem solving, English language acquisition and other literacy skills.
 - □ **Key indicator:** Receipt of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent. (Quantified targets for these two indicators are under negotiation with the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education.)
- ➤ Critical Question 3. Are more adult education students advancing on to postsecondary education?
 - □ **Key indicator:** Transition to postsecondary education. The goal for 2004-05 is 21.2 percent of GED completers enrolling in Kentucky colleges within two years.
 - □ **Key indicator:** Percentage of adult learners with a goal of advanced education or training who enter postsecondary education or training. (Quantified targets for this indicator are under negotiation with the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education.)
- ➤ Critical Question 4: Are more adult education students prepared for employment and the changing workforce?
 - □ **Key indicators:** Participation in workforce training, unsubsidized employment or career advancement. (Quantified targets for these indicators are under negotiation with the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Vocational and Adult Education.)
- **Critical Question 5:** Are Kentucky communities and economy benefiting?
 - □ **Key indicator:** Increased earnings of Kentuckians who earn a GED (an increase of \$8,200 per year*).